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DIARY NOTES

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- 1. Gordon Stewart reported that he had initiated the paper work for the award of the National Security Medal to and would have the package ready within a few days.
- 2. Gordon Stewart, Larry Houston, Lyman Kirkpatrick and I met with General Cabell to review with him Gordon's paper on the "manpower control program" which is to be presented to the Career Council in the near future. General Cabell endorsed the program in principle. The only point which brought about very much discussion had to do with the principle of payment to those who were separated. Generally, it was the concensus that we had to differentiate between those employees who, because of their service with CIA, would have difficulty in marketing their skills, etc. This is so because to do otherwise would be to take unto ourselves privileges which are not accorded other United States Government employees. To this end, it will probably be necessary to spell out certain categories of personnel who would get separation pay. However, it was recognized that this would be a gray area and that it would also be necessary to leave enough flexibility in our system to pay individuals such as accountants whose skills would normally be marketable but who might have difficulty because of their inability to explain their association and duties with CIA, etc.

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